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THE BLIZZARD'S WORK.

The Railroad Blocked and One Week—The Electric Railway Company's Troubles—Minor Damages.

The much talked about mild winter and warm, sunny southern Kansas was at a discount yesterday. It was no doubt a temporary fall in the stock. While the blizzard was on there was no encouragement to talk about beautiful weather. The wind was howling from the north and had a tendency to knock all the beauty out of the snow that sometimes is reported in poetry as belonging to it. The blizzard which has been parading the east for some days struck the Arkansas valley about 1 o'clock yesterday morning. It was rain and snow at first and very soon all snow. The howling blizzard features were up with the procession. The snow fell until about daylight when it was apparently too cold to snow. For the Arkansas valley it is estimated that the snow is about four to five inches deep, while west fifty miles it is reported to be eight or ten inches deep.

Owing to the high winds the railroad cuts were filled with drift snow. This delayed trains, making for a time traffic impossible. The Santa Fe main line seems to have suffered the most, while the Missouri Pacific and Frisco got through after a few hours delay. Four o'clock yesterday morning stopped all trains. The Santa Fe passenger from the east due at 7:30 was caught a few miles west of Florence. There were on board about forty Wichita people, including the delegation of school teachers and Col. J. R. Hall, who was expecting to spend New Year at home. At noon yesterday his son, Mont, received a message from the colonel that they were in a drift and no one was able to tell when they would get out. Up to 3 a. m. this morning the train had failed to arrive, but it is supposed that in a land of plenty and in the care of the Santa Fe, so one will not get into any real trouble.

The Rock Island passenger due at 6:30 yesterday morning was caught at Marion. It remained there all day, while the snow plows were at work in some deep cuts a few miles west. They had on board a number of Wichita people, among them some of the school teachers, but they will not do much harm, as the exception of getting a little nervous.

The Wichita and Western train from the west in the morning, struck a drift ten miles west of Kingman. For some miles the train had been running behind a helper composed of an engine and two old coaches. The helper ran off the track trying to get through a drift, and the engine ran into the helper, knocking the cars off the track, and one caught fire from a stove which was thrown down. It took some lively throwing snow to conquer the fire. In due time a large force of hands was on hand, looking after the wreck and the engine, which is not expected to get in before noon today, according to the reliable information to be gained last night.

The Santa Fe south and to Newton was somewhat blocked, delaying trains six hours, and last night everything was moving from Newton to Galveston, but the block on the Santa Fe line was not cleared off the eastern side of the block on the main line west is said to be quite serious and a train is likely to have a difficult job to get along in nearly every cut.

The Missouri Pacific west to Denver is reported blocked in a number of places. It is thought by this evening all the lines west will be able to meet the schedule time, provided there is no more snowfall or drifting. This will practically shut off the damage on perishable brought and make the loss much less to the companies than was anticipated yesterday morning.

The electric light railway also experienced the blizzard. About 5 o'clock yesterday morning Manager Fitch was out with a force of men clearing away the snow. When the power was turned on it was evident the line was down some where. An investigation showed that one of the wires on the corner of Main and Douglas was down, completing the circuit for the return to the station, not being compelled to do the work of moving cars. The situation also was quite dangerous for any one who should chance to come in contact with it. But luckily no one was injured until a man tramped in a rubber arrived to handle it. When the line was cleared there was no more snowfall or drifting. This will practically shut off the damage on perishable brought and make the loss much less to the companies than was anticipated yesterday morning.

The telephone company, also will have a small damage account, but the service was maintained fairly well. The exceedingly mild winter had caused the cattlemen to about conclude they were going to get through "swimmingly," but yesterday they were somewhat alarmed. The thousands of Cherokee strip cattle in Clark, Comanche, Kiowa and Meade counties have a winter now that does not provide for them. Should the snow not melt long it is feared the owners, some of whom live in the city, will lose considerable money. This is true also of many ranch men who trust to look on the winter, not providing for the blizzards accompanied with snow. It is not thought, however, that the news received from the cattlemen that the snow will remain long, which will allow them to temporarily at least.

The fellows depending on natural ice for some money next summer were of the jubilant class yesterday. Charles Hoff, with his seven-acre lake out on Hydraulic, was dancing on his feet. He wanted to see the mercury forced down below zero, instead of playing around in the twenties. His lake last night was covered with ice two inches thick, and he expects three inches or more this morning, when the harvest work will commence. He will store it away after a good snowfall and give a chance for another layer. The little river was promising to be coming to furnish some ice also, and by to-day the ice men will be filling their houses and looking happy. However, Jake Sohn, with his ice machine on the west side, is smiling and spent last evening at the Crawford. He expects that the weather can't beat him, no matter if it keeps cold until next July.

The coal yards were quite busy yesterday. It was no holiday. Many people who had been bathing in the sun, or seeking relief in the shade all winter and hoping that no cold weather would come, and not providing coal, were out early with their coal orders. They must have coal or freeze and, of course, if they had the money, the coal companies did not want to see them freeze or read an account of it in a paper. Some, however, applied who had no money. The interview was short as there was much other more profitable business, demanding immediate attention. This gives a chance for some of those benevolently inclined to contribute some coal, money. And in this connection it may be refreshing to observe that one of the well-known men of this city, suspected yesterday morning that there would be many people who would be without coal, and phoned one of the coal companies to

place on the poor \$50 worth of coal and send him the bill. Within ten minutes after receiving the message a poorly clad boy of six years walked into the office of the company with a basket and asked a donation of as much coal as he could carry home, a distance of seven blocks. At his home was his mother and two sisters younger than himself. It was with great pleasure that the company immediately sent a half ton of coal to that poor family, and very soon the \$50 was used in sending coal to the destitute. Other similar donations were made and no doubt proved a great satisfaction to the donors as well as to the poor who were assisted.

Mrs. R. Allen Hall, worthy matron of Ivy Leaf chapter No. 15, O. E. S., assisted by the following named ladies, members of the chapter, received callers yesterday, from 3 to 8 p. m., at the Masonic temple, corner First and Main. Mrs. David Smyth, Mrs. J. T. Dorsey, Mrs. E. A. Whitlock, Mrs. J. H. Holt, Mrs. J. G. Fegley, Mrs. William Stockett, Mrs. J. W. Gill, Miss Mary Pearce, Miss Mary Hall, and Miss Alice Boyd.

The elegant hall of the order was tastefully hung with tapestries and decorated with cut flowers and evergreen. A handsome pair of portrait curtains hung over the entrance door, and the windows were all hung with heavy brocade curtains, and the room was then brilliantly lighted with incandescent lights, giving the effect of evening to the decorations.

A number of small tables were placed about the room, at which callers were seated to be served with refreshments, and one large table was placed near the entrance to the hall, where the signers were seated and were those who did not wish to be seated partook of New Year cheer at the hands of their fair hostesses. A beautiful fruit piece ornamented this large table, composed of tea roses, carnation pinks, China lilies and hyacinths, held in a glass sphere of elegant design. The initials of the order, were worked on the table cloth in holly and a maietoe bough hung suspended from the center of the arch.

The most beautifully designed decoration, however, was the symbol of the order—a floral star, composed of the colors used by the chapter. The flowers were natural and were blue and yellow pansies, white hyacinth, green geranium leaves, pink carnation, with a large calla lily as a center.

All who called were served with refreshments which consisted of chicken salad, buttered bread, cake, pickles, tea, coffee and cocoa.

Among those who called to pay their respects to the ladies were the following persons: Mr. C. E. Martin, Mr. J. S. Cole, Mr. O. B. Stocker, Mr. L. H. Hettlinger, Mr. James S. Mead, Mr. J. A. Hollinger, Mr. E. Dumont, Mr. Charles H. Hunter, Mr. Diamond Mitchell, Mr. C. M. Jones, Mr. Morgan Cox, Mr. W. O. Osborne, Mr. H. L. Jordan, Mr. J. P. Allen, Mr. M. Corbett, Mr. George L. Burns, Miss Etta Stoner, Miss Ella Bourgette, Miss Brown, Miss Kate Viny, Mr. J. W. Gill, Mr. J. T. Dorsey, Mr. C. W. Horner, Winfield, Rev. John W. Harney, Mr. W. M. Starr, Miss A. L. Casper, Miss Kate Colson, Mr. D. Synthe, Mr. E. W. Whitlock, Mr. R. L. Allen Hall, Mr. J. D. Holt.

The ladies of the Eastern Star are among Wichita's fairest and best entertainers and all who paid their respects to the above named ladies expressed themselves as having enjoyed the short time spent in their presence, and all are wishing them many returns of the happy occasion.

After all the guests had taken their departure, the chapter presented the flowers of which the floral star was composed to Mrs. R. Allen Hall, who in a few words thanked the donors and promised good care to the flowers.

DEAF MUTE SERMON.
A large audience congregated yesterday morning at the Emporia Avenue M. E. church to hear the sermon by Rev. J. W. Horner, which was to be interpreted to the deaf mutes by Mr. Larbaugh. It was a pathetic to see those who are deprived of hearing and sight in the positions of the hands of the interpreter as he gave them the signs that represent sound to them.

IN THE SNOW.
Thos. G. Fitch, the manager of the electric street car lines, is evidently the right man in the right place. He has not only a comprehensive way about him and a proper notion of the demands upon a public service by the public itself, but he is on hand when it comes to details. Yesterday morning came the first snow storm of the season, and daylight found the whole system out of sight, with bad drifts everywhere. But Fitch got into his five-league boots and headed a brigade of shovellers, scrapers and sweepers. By 9 o'clock the main street cars were moving, by 11 the Douglas avenue line was working, and before the day was gone nearly, or all, the lines had been relieved of the snow, and with the usual travel resumed.

AMUSEMENTS.
Despite the disagreeable weather a good audience was at the opera house last night to see Jarreau, in "Starlight." As usual, she kicked, sang and danced herself into the good will of the audience, as did the balance of the company. The performance was a success, but Jarreau, in spite of the fact that she was in the line of the house, was not moving, by 11 the Douglas avenue line was working, and before the day was gone nearly, or all, the lines had been relieved of the snow, and with the usual travel resumed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.
FOR THE BUSINESS MEN.
On Sabbath morning, the 4th inst., Rev. David Winters will preach in the First Presbyterian church, his second annual sermon to business men. In the evening he will preach to young men. The subjects of the sermons will appear in the church notices of tomorrow.

ATTENTION KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.
A regular meeting of Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 12, K. T., is being held at 7:30 sharp, on Friday, Jan. 2, at E. C. J. A. HOLLINGER, Secretary.

CITY HOSPITAL.
The regular meeting of the directors and members of the City Hospital will be held at the hospital parlors Friday, January 2, at 2 o'clock. It is earnestly desired that every member be present.

Mrs. A. KRANER, President.
The Woman's Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church, will hold its regular monthly meeting at the church this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

CLINTON REED.
Mr. D. L. Clinton and Miss Emma Reed, of Coldwater, were married yesterday by the Rev. Mr. Winters, at his residence 1,143 North Topeka avenue. They were accompanied by a small party of friends coming to the city on Wednesday evening. With the usual regularity of the trains they could have arrived yesterday morning, but respecting a blizzard and wanting to be sure and have the ceremony performed on New Year's day, took the precaution to leave in time to avoid any possible delay.

Mr. Clinton was formerly postmaster at Coldwater, and was elected to office of register of deeds at the recent election. He is one of the foremost young men of Comanche county, while Miss Reed is the daughter of Mr. William Reed, one of the leading citizens of the county.

GOODWIN-MEHARAN.
Mr. W. E. Goodwin, the East Oak street druggist, and Miss Cora Meharan, were married yesterday.

A WINTER EVENING.

For the Eagle.
Down where the water laps the bridges' piers,
With low, dull sound of ceaseless fret,
The silver sea a mass of jagged points
In fragile flagging has set.
Chill river winds lurk round with stealthy lash,
Among the sapless weeds along the edge,
That stiffly stand with ragged leaves a quake;
The brown, drenched grasses with the
Rattled on the sand are preat;
Across the river lies a fringe of trees,
With all their inky nakedness outlined
Against the copper colored west.
Jan. 1, 1891. N. H. W.

A FEW PRACTICAL TIPS.
Ike Deam Expresses Himself about the Calamity Howlers and Their Occupations—The Farmers as a Class Not to be Judged by the Wind Makers.

Ike Deam, one of the leading farmers of Waco township and who is a Democrat and one of the leaders of the Alliance in this part of the county, was in town a few days ago, and said to a number of friends that he was getting very weary of this howl about the farmers being a lot of paupers and wanting to loot all creditors, and in short, transforming into a lot of communists, socialists or anarchists. He wanted to go on record as saying that he was sick of the calamity howl as howled and revised by some of the leading howlers who go over the country telling the people to take their money out of the banks, the system is wrong, the banks will fail, and they ought to fail, and preaching financial damnation. In his observations he has failed to hear a single man put up that kind of a howl in his own affairs was a success. Every one of the professional calamity howlers had never demonstrated their power to run their own affairs successfully, and he could not see that other people should consider their authority on their business. It had been circulated that he was one of the calamity howlers against the banks and advising every one to pull out. The statement had traveled some distance before he found it, and he stamped it as a lie most emphatically. He also referred to the plan of showing violence when the law settled a debt and thought that was the most foolish thing any class of men or set of men could engage in. He also wants it understood that the men who work on their farms and attend to business do not want to join the parasite ranks and are not in the tape worm business. He doesn't want the farmers to be disgraced by the few howling failures who are prancing over the country, and he knows to a certainty that the farmers of Sedgewick county are much better off than the howlers say, and are gaining in wealth in proportion to their efforts and business discretion, shown, more rapidly than in any other state he is acquainted with, and if he did not believe his statement he would not live here, and he would advise all who know of a better country to go there immediately.

THE WATER COMPANY YESTERDAY PRESENTED the boys at Hose house No. 2, with a box of fine Havana cigars as a New Year's remembrance to the boys. The boys presented their heartiest thanks to the company for the gift, and said that this was one fire that they always enjoyed being at.

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Thos. G. Fitch, the manager of the electric street car lines, is evidently the right man in the right place. He has not only a comprehensive way about him and a proper notion of the demands upon a public service by the public itself, but he is on hand when it comes to details. Yesterday morning came the first snow storm of the season, and daylight found the whole system out of sight, with bad drifts everywhere. But Fitch got into his five-league boots and headed a brigade of shovellers, scrapers and sweepers. By 9 o'clock the main street cars were moving, by 11 the Douglas avenue line was working, and before the day was gone nearly, or all, the lines had been relieved of the snow, and with the usual travel resumed.

AMUSEMENTS.
Despite the disagreeable weather a good audience was at the opera house last night to see Jarreau, in "Starlight." As usual, she kicked, sang and danced herself into the good will of the audience, as did the balance of the company. The performance was a success, but Jarreau, in spite of the fact that she was in the line of the house, was not moving, by 11 the Douglas avenue line was working, and before the day was gone nearly, or all, the lines had been relieved of the snow, and with the usual travel resumed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.
FOR THE BUSINESS MEN.
On Sabbath morning, the 4th inst., Rev. David Winters will preach in the First Presbyterian church, his second annual sermon to business men. In the evening he will preach to young men. The subjects of the sermons will appear in the church notices of tomorrow.

ATTENTION KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.
A regular meeting of Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 12, K. T., is being held at 7:30 sharp, on Friday, Jan. 2, at E. C. J. A. HOLLINGER, Secretary.

CITY HOSPITAL.
The regular meeting of the directors and members of the City Hospital will be held at the hospital parlors Friday, January 2, at 2 o'clock. It is earnestly desired that every member be present.

Mrs. A. KRANER, President.
The Woman's Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church, will hold its regular monthly meeting at the church this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

CLINTON REED.
Mr. D. L. Clinton and Miss Emma Reed, of Coldwater, were married yesterday by the Rev. Mr. Winters, at his residence 1,143 North Topeka avenue. They were accompanied by a small party of friends coming to the city on Wednesday evening. With the usual regularity of the trains they could have arrived yesterday morning, but respecting a blizzard and wanting to be sure and have the ceremony performed on New Year's day, took the precaution to leave in time to avoid any possible delay.

Mr. Clinton was formerly postmaster at Coldwater, and was elected to office of register of deeds at the recent election. He is one of the foremost young men of Comanche county, while Miss Reed is the daughter of Mr. William Reed, one of the leading citizens of the county.

GOODWIN-MEHARAN.
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